

## **About the Book**

*Security and economic imperatives are increasingly intertwining the destinies of southeast Asia and South Asia, making it necessary for scholars on both sides to deepen their understanding of each other's regions. This collection of papers, first presented at a Dialogue between the Institute of southeast Asian studies in Singapore and the Observer research foundation of India in March 2006, provides perspectives from India and Singapore on some of the major security and political issues facing the two regions. The subjects covered include regional integration trends as symbolized by the first east Asian summit, the roles of the major powers, maritime security and naval deployments in the Indian Ocean region, and political and security developments within southeast Asia.*

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